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Office Action Summary

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RELAN ET AL

Examiner

Steven Blount

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 July 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 - 22 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 - 22 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claim 11 is objected to because of the following informalities: In line 4, the word "wirelessnetwork" should be two words. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1 – 4, 7 – 13, and 16 – 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US patent application publication 2002/0094777 to Cannon et al.

With regard to claim 1, Cannon teaches receiving a request to access a computer network, via the use of a password and GPS coordinates. See paragraphs 39 and 40. Cannon al also teach determining whether the mobile is within a predetermined location in paragraph 40, lines 5+ and granting access if the coordinates are acceptable, and denying otherwise. Although Cannon et al do not explicitly teach the wireless network (LAN, see abstract) to be a computer network, the examiner believes that one of ordinary skill in the art would find it obvious to support computers on a LAN such as that described in Cannon et al (if not practically any LAN, for that matter).

With regard to claim 2, the GPS mentioned in page 2 par 20 and described in par 28 is a wireless network (of satellites and their groundstations) used to determine the location of the mobile terminal.

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With regard to claim 3, see the discussion of GPS above.

With regard to claim 4, see the discussion of the use of a password above.

With regard to claim 7, see the above, and further note that the instructions needed to operate this system would be obvious to have stored in a computer readable medium.

With regard to claim 8 – 12, see the discussion of the rejection of the claims above.

With regard to claim 13, the location of the terminal is determined based on the password in that the terminal must be within range of the server in order for it to be received properly.

With regard to claim 16, see figure 1, wherein the server 200 is shown, note the discussion of GPS above, and again note that it would be obvious to have computers used in the LAN.

With regard to claims 17 – 19, see the rejections above where all of the elements are discussed.

With regard to claim 20, the mobile unit can be considered to be the client in this instance.

4. Claims 5 – 6, 14 – 15, and 21 – 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US patent application publication 2002/0094777 to Cannon et al as applied to claims 1 – 4, 7 – 13, and 16 – 20 above, and further in view of the Applicants Admitted Prior Art (AAPA).

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With regard to claims 5 – 6, 14 – 15, and 21, Cannon et al teach the invention as described above, but do not teach using a time varying randomly generated password.

This is taught in the admitted prior art, page

2 ("some computer systems use a time varying randomly generated password for each authorized user").

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to have generated/displayed a randomly generated, time varying password for each user in Cannon et al, in light of the teachings of AAPA, in order to provide a means for further enhancing the security of the system in Cannon et al.



With regard to claim 22, see the rejection of claim 13 above.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steven Blount whose telephone number is 571 - 272 - 3071. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:00 - 5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Chau Nguyen, can be reached on 571 – 272 - 3126. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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